

Protecting our nation is a top priority for Congressman Rooney. He believes the federal government has a firm duty to protect her citizens. With that philosophy he is fighting to secure our borders to crack down on illegal alien criminals and fighting for our intelligence agencies to have the tools they need to keep us safe.

Congressman Rooney believes we should do a better job enforcing current immigration laws, we need to continue to work to secure our borders and crack down on illegal aliens. Rooney supports the continued construction of the fence on the Southwest border.

Rooney is a member of the prestigious House Judiciary Committee and the Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security Subcommittee. As a member of both the Judiciary and Armed Services Committee, Rooney has been actively engaged in the debate about closing the detention facility at Guantanamo bay and the issue of what to do with the detainees currently held there. In response to the President's hasty decision to close the facility without a plan of what to do with the current detainees, Rooney introduced a bill (H.R. 1073) to prohibit any detainees to be transported or held in Florida. Also, Rooney recently traveled to the Guantanamo Bay base where he had the opportunity to meet directly with the soldiers stationed there and to tour the state of the art facilities to see where the detainees are held. Rooney was greatly impressed with the professionalism of the troops and their administration of the facility and that the hasty decision to close GITMO should be revisited.